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Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of this application, please make the following amendments:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1 through 16. Please add claims 17 - 36 as shown:

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17. A grinding machine with a set of cutters displaying at least one blade, wherein the set of cutters displays a safety device downstream of the last blade in the direction of material flow to prevent the operator from being injured by the blade.
18. The grinding machine according to claim 17, wherein it can only be put into operation when the safety device is inserted.
19. The grinding machine according to claim 17, wherein the safety device is a perforated plate with a hole diameter ≤ 6 .
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